

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION  
Washington 25, D. C.

December 31, 1957

Dear Mr. President:

As required by Section 103(b) of the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, I am advising you herewith of the shipment of one spectrograph worth \$3,714 from France to Poland for civilian use. The item shipped is on the Control Act embargo list.

Considering the small value and the civilian use of the above reported shipment, French cooperation for over seven years in controlling strategic shipments to the Soviet bloc, the importance of the French contribution to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the fact that U.S. aid to France is largely military aid designed to enable that country to meet its NATO obligations and to enhance the security of the free world and that cessation of such aid would clearly be detrimental to the security interests of the U.S., I recommend that you direct the continuance of aid to France.

This recommendation is based on the advice of Vice Admiral Walter S. DeLany, USN (Ret.), my Deputy Director for Mutual Defense Assistance Control and is also concurred in by the Departments of State, Defense, Commerce, and Treasury.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ J. H. Smith, Jr.

The President

of the United States

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